



The Pileup

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The Shelby Hamfest was a big success

....for CDXA, and especially for a couple of CDXA individuals. This was the first time we had a CDXA booth at Shelby, and it was a real hit. We had lots of visitors, and enough people signed up for CDXA membership to bring us to an all-time high of 214 members! We sold

lots of tickets for the Lenovo tablet drawing; Dick, W3OA, presented a forum on K9W; Paul, W3GQ, was there representing the W4 Bureau; and Gary, K4MQG was checking stacks and stacks of QSL cards. Karl, W4CHX, was there in his role as ARRL NC Section Manager.

And the successful ...make that lucky... CDXAers? K4MQG won the TH-3MK4 tri-band beam (...Ted, W4VHF, won it last year, so CDXA has two in a row!) and Wayne Helms, N4HWH, won CDXA's raffle, and got to take home the Lenovo tablet. Here's Wayne with his latest win. You probably remember that Wayne also won the Yaesu FT DX 1200 at this year's Charlotte Hamfest Banquet! There are some more scenes from Shelby at the end of the *Pileup*.



There were lots of people who helped make our participation a success, but Bill Fisher, W4GRW, deserves special mention for his hard work. Thanks, Bill!

CDXA PacketCluster & Other Communication Systems

K4MD (AR Cluster via Telnet)	k4md.no-ip.com
W4DXA (AR Cluster via Telnet)	w4dxa.no-ip.com
CDXA Repeater 147.18 MHz (+600)	W4DXA, Near Fort Mill, SC
World Wide Web Homepage	www.cdxa.org
Wednesday Luncheon (11:30 AM)	Skyland Family Restaurant, 4544 South Boulevard, Charlotte, NC

Don't forget to sign up for the BBQ!

Just as a reminder, here are the details: The CDXA Fall BBQ is Saturday, October 11th beginning @ 5PM at the QTH of Bev & Ken Boyd at 6319 Farm-lake Drive, Charlotte NC 28227.



If you haven't already done so:
[Click here for Information and Sign Up](#).

SEDCO is almost here



And another, more urgent, reminder: W4DXCC/ SEDCO is right around the corner. It will be held again in Pigeon Forge, TN on September 26-28. There will be plenty to do, with lots of forums, one featuring Lou, N2TU, telling the K9W story. Check out www.W4DXCC.com for details and to get signed up.

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The purpose of the association is to secure for the members the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons having a common interest in Amateur Radio.

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Yearly dues are \$25.00. A second licensed Amateur family member living in the same household can join for \$5.00 for a total family price of \$30.00 per year. The total price for 3 or more licensed family members living in the same household is only \$35.00 per year. All family members enjoy full member status. Dues are payable annually in December by check or through the CDXA website, to the Secretary/Treasurer:

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DX King News

Dick Williams, W3OA



Item 1: Full details of our DX King Contest and your chances to win a tablet computer are on page 11 of the [January Pileup](#).

Item 2: Here are the DX King scores I have as of August 31:

Call	Category	Countries	Zones	Total
K5EK	Unlimited	266	40	306
K7BV	Unlimited	251	40	291
W4HG	Unlimited	244	40	284
WA4DT	Unlimited	238	40	278
AA4SC	Unlimited	234	40	274
K8YC	Unlimited	226	39	265
W3GQ	Unlimited	223	38	261
N4PQX	Unlimited	213	40	253
W7DO	Unlimited	209	39	248
W3ZL	Formula	204	36	240
W4UFO	Unlimited	201	38	239
KZ2I	Unlimited	197	40	237
N2TU	Unlimited	175	38	213
K2SX	Unlimited	171	39	210
NV4A	Unlimited	167	38	205
W3OA	Unlimited	161	38	199
K4NC	Unlimited	153	37	190
NK0S	Unlimited	138	36	174
K4MLD	Formula	115	31	146
K4DXA	Unlimited	114	31	145
W4WNT	Formula	116	29	145
W4CWA	Unlimited	84	27	111
K4UWH	Formula	81	27	108

Item 3: Don't forget to send me (w3oa@roadrunner.com) your DX marathon scores as of the last day of each month after your score reaches 100.

CWAC 2014 – CDXA Needs More Participants

Dick Williams, W3OA



It's time to get ready for the CQ World Wide Contests and CDXA's CWAC (Contest Within a Contest). The phone contest is the weekend of October 24, CW, the weekend of November 28. We are again offering a lot of prizes to encourage you to participate in CWAC and thus contribute to CDXA's CQWW Club Score. The Outback Steakhouse gift cards have been very popular prizes in past years. But if the Outback isn't one of your favorite restaurants you can use the same card at Carrabba's Italian Grill, Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar, and Bonefish Grill.

Year	CDXA Score	Rank in USA
2005	17,672,958	18
2006	25,680,386	12
2007	34,784,070	8
2008	28,284,340	12
2009	24,942,122	13
2010	32,684,047	12
2011	60,196,309	11
2012	49,233,286	13
2013	39,074,381	16

Our CQWW Club Scores for the last several years are shown below. You can see we made the top ten in 2007 but haven't made it back since then. We need everyone's help to regain our top ten standing.

There are prizes for both serious efforts and more casual operations:

1st place prizes – Each winner can choose a trophy or a \$50 Outback Steak House gift card. These will be awarded in the categories listed below. An individual can only win one trophy/gift card. The DXpedition and Multi-op prizes will only be awarded to an entrant whose score is high enough to have won one of the other first place prizes. The categories are:

Top combined phone and CW score. Top phone score. Top phone score, low power. Top CW score. Top CW score, low power. Top DXpedition score. Top Multi-op score.

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Other Prizes:

- 1000 or more QSOs total in the phone and CW contests – Each winner can choose a trophy or a \$25 gift card for Outback Steak House.
- 500 or more QSOs – A photo printed CDXA certificate and a chance in a raffle for a \$25 gift card.
- 250 or more QSOs – A chance in a raffle for a \$25 gift card.

Only members whose scores are eligible for the club competition as defined in the contest rules can win a gift card or a trophy. That means their station must be within 275 km of our club center or be on a DXpedition and live within that radius. We can choose where our club center is so don't count yourself out just because you are a little more than 275 km from Charlotte. The rules are available in full at <http://www.cqww.com/rules.php>. All CDXA members are eligible for the CDXA certificates. Again this year **all logs must be submitted within five days after the end of the contest**. Previously we had 30 days.

Prizes will be based on your claimed score and presented at the Christmas dinner.

Let me know if you have any questions, suggestions, or need help in preparing for CQWW.

And please let me know if you are planning a DXpedition for CQWW.

Dick Williams, W3OA, w3oa@adelphia.net, (704) 658-0915.

New Members

We are happy to welcome these new members, who have helped put our membership number to an all-time high of 214:

N8WRL and KJ4OTY, Brian and Olivia Smithson, 2138 M.F. Stewart Rd., Clover, SC 29710, 803-222-0356, n8wrl@arrl.net.

AC4ZE, Clois Chalker, 6101 Pumpnickel Ln., Monroe, NC 28110, 704-225-7551, cchalker@carolina.rr.com.

W4NE, Ted Webb, 36 Hillsborough Dr., Greenville, SC 29615, 864-640-9394, w4ne@juno.com.

W4PFI and KK4TRH, Patrick and Toni Fink, 5503 Flowering Dogwood Ln., Charlotte, NC 28270, w4pfi@arrl.net.

KJ4WZJ, Mike Porter, 5504 Davis Ridge, Charlotte, NC 28269, 704-589-6944, kj4wzj@carolina.rr.com.

KJ4IEC, Alex Swain, 4592 Lynwood Rd., Sherrills Ford, NC 28673, 704-483-1473, aswain41@aol.com.

KM4CNT, Nathan Sossoman, son of K4CEB (see the [July Pileup](#).)

KB4GFJ, John Williams, 1221 Auburndale Ln., Rock Hill, SC 29732, 803-366-1039

The Wayback Machine

The Boy Scout has been identified! Ken, K4DXA, had no doubt that this is Cliff, W3ZL, and he's right. Anybody else see the resemblance, or is Ken just really good



at facial recognition?? Either way, congrats to Ken.

Here's another one, which I don't think will be nearly as difficult. On the other hand, the individual in the picture says that he didn't recognize himself when someone gave him the picture a few years ago. So, who's going to be first to identify this good looking guy?



Finally, we're still looking for more stories from ye olden days when we had to visit the FCC to get our licenses, or any other of your "Wayback when..." stories and pictures. If you have a story or picture to share, please let me know.

And a few more photos from Shelby

Thanks to Ed K., K5EK, for taking most of these shots. Basically, the ones that are in focus are his.



The Ponaks, Paul, AD4IE; and Christine, AI4YR; selling raffle tickets and signing up new members



Dick, W3OA, looking very serious as he discusses K9W



...just one small part of one row in the flea market area



Looks like W3GQ has the QSL Bureau open for business



K4MQG in full-tilt card checking mode!

The Back Page

- The Shelby Hamfest was a big success for CDXA. See Page 1 for details, and Page 5 for some pictures.
- Be sure to sign up for the fall BBQ, to be held Oct. 11. There's a link to the sign-up sheet on Page 2.
- SEDCO is just a couple of weeks away, so if you've been thinking about going, now's the time to sign up.
- K5EK is widening his DX King lead with a total of 306 points.
- HF Contest Season is quickly approaching, so make sure everything in (and above) the shack is ready to go, so you're ready to participate in CDXA's Contest Within a Contest.
- Be sure to have a look at the long list of new members on Page 4. With all these new members, many of whom joined at Shelby, we're at a record high number of members: 214!
- Ken Boyd, K4DXA, had no trouble identifying the young boy scout featured in last month's Wayback Machine as Cliff Wagoner, W3ZL. Other old pictures of you and/or your shack, or any stories from wayback would be appreciated.

73, and see you next month
John, NV4A

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